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By Order,  
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Hongkong, December 29, 1903. 2821

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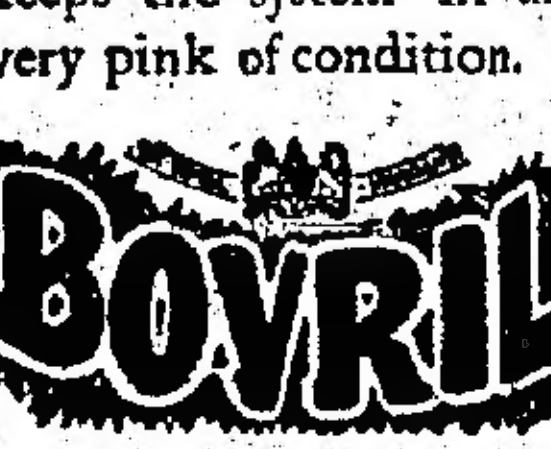
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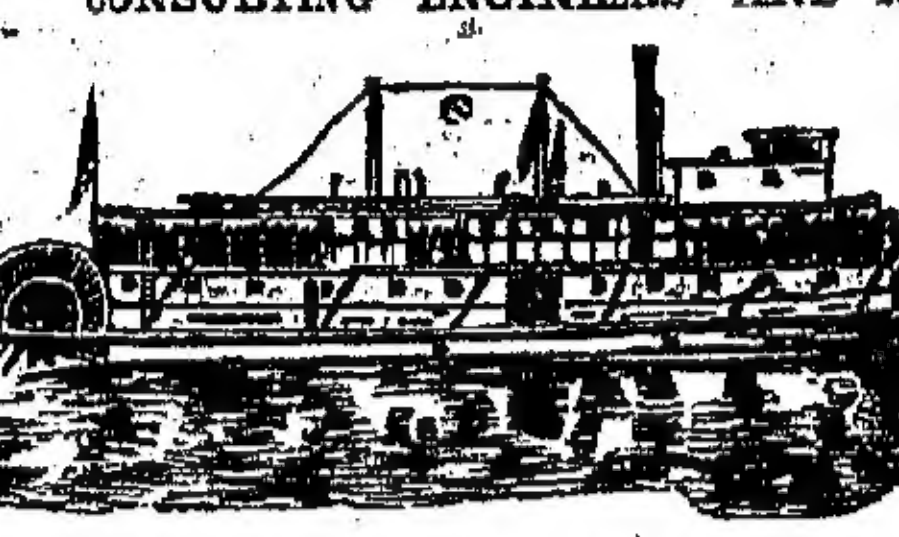
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which each Bill should be drawn, but no  
Bill will be issued for less than £100.  
The tenders to be in Duplicate, and in  
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master, Army Pay Department, and en-  
closed 'Tenders for Government Bills.'  
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the tenders is reserved.  
Copies of Forms of tender can be had on  
application.

**GEO. H. FERRIER, Colonel,**  
H.M. Treasury Officer.  
His Majesty's Treasury Office,  
Fletcher Street, Hongkong.  
7th January 1904.



**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**  
INFORMATION has been received from  
the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that  
GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from  
Stonecutters Island (East and South Shore  
Batteries) in a South-Westerly direc-  
tion, at ranges from 400 to 4,500 yards,  
on the 15th instant, and from Lyemum  
(Palakawan Battery) in the direction of the  
entrance to Junk Bay at ranges from 600  
to 4,500 yards on the 16th instant.  
If the weather is unfavourable on either  
of the above dates, Practice will take place  
on the 18th instant.  
Practice will commence at 9 a.m. on the  
15th instant, and at 9.30 a.m. on the 16th  
instant, and end at 11 a.m. daily, if the  
range is clear.  
By Command,  
**A. M. THOMSON,**  
Acting Colonial Secretary.  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, January 8, 1904.



**NOTICE.**  
OWNERS of HOUSES Situated in the  
Eastern Division of the City of Victoria  
and in the Eastern Division of Kow-  
loon are hereby notified that under 7  
of the Domestic Cleanliness and Venti-  
lation By-laws any domestic building or  
part of such building which is occupied by  
members of more than one family shall,  
unless especially exempted by the Board,  
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throughout the whole of the Board during  
the months of JANUARY and FEBRUARY.  
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the necessity of CLEANLINESS in its  
efforts to stamp out Plague is determined  
to rigorously prosecute any owner in default  
after the 30th FEBRUARY.  
Note.—The By-laws of the above  
Districts have been ALTERED and are  
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end thereof through the Yuenai service  
reservoir to the Northern boundary of  
Kowloon.  
By Order of the Board,  
**G. A. WOODCOCK,**  
Secretary.  
Sanitary Board Office,  
4th January, 1904.

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the Siamese in their own tongue without  
saying one word of it. The "Bangkok  
Times" doing the translations required.  
Literary communications should be ad-  
dressed to the Editor. Business com-  
munications to the Manager. Cheques  
and Post Office Orders in favour of MAN-  
AGER, "Bangkok Times".  
Orders booked by Manager, China  
Unit.

## Intimations.

**HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NON-RESIDENT SHAREHOLDERS**  
desiring of applying for Shares of the  
new issue are hereby notified that the time  
within which applications can be made has  
been extended for such Shareholders living  
in the Far East to the 31st instant, and for  
such Shareholders living elsewhere, to the  
31st of March.  
Interest at the rate of 9% per annum  
from the 4th instant, until payment, will  
be charged in respect of all such applica-  
tions.  
No further applications can be considered  
from Resident Shareholders.

**JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, January 6, 1904.

**CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND**  
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

**THE SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL**  
MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the Company will be held  
at the Offices of the Company, 14, Des  
Vaux Road, on SATURDAY, 10th  
JANUARY, 1904, at 11 o'clock a.m., for  
the purpose of receiving a Statement of  
Accounts and the Report of the General  
Manager for the year ending 31st Decem-  
ber, 1903, declaring a Dividend and electing  
a Consulting Committee and Auditors.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from WEDNES-  
DAY, 13th January, 1904, to the SATUR-  
DAY, 16th January, 1904, both days  
inclusive.

**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1903.

**THE KOWLOON LAND**  
BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the  
FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-  
ING of Shareholders in this Company will  
be held at the Company's Office, Victoria  
Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th  
JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, for  
the purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors together with Statement of Ac-  
counts for the year ending 31st December,  
1903.  
The Register of Shares of the Company  
will be CLOSED from Friday, the 15th  
January to Wednesday, the 20th January,  
(both days inclusive) during which period  
no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**A. SHELTON HOOPER,**  
Secretary to the  
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND  
AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.,  
General Agents for the  
KOWLOON LAND BUILDING CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, January 5, 1904.

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-**  
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.  
**NOTICE** IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-  
ING of Shareholders in this Company will  
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES,  
Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the  
27th JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon,  
for the purpose of receiving the Report of  
the Directors, together with Statement of  
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-  
ber, 1903.  
The REGISTER of SHARES of the  
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-  
DAY, the 16th January to WEDNESDAY,  
the 27th January (both days inclusive),  
during which period no Transfer of Shares  
can be registered.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**A. SHELTON HOOPER,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, January 9, 1904.

**THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO.**  
LIMITED.  
**NOTICE** IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-  
ING of Shareholders in this Company will  
be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES,  
Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the  
27th JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon,  
for the purpose of receiving the Report of  
the Directors, together with Statement of  
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-  
ber, 1903.  
The REGISTER of SHARES of the  
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-  
DAY, the 16th January to WEDNESDAY,  
the 27th January (both days inclusive),  
during which period no Transfer of Shares  
can be registered.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**A. SHELTON HOOPER,**  
Secretary to the  
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY  
CO., LTD.,  
General Agents for  
THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, January 9, 1904.

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,**  
LIMITED.

**NOTICE** IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL  
GENERAL MEETING of the  
National Bank of China, Limited, will be  
held at the Bank premises, Queen's Road,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,  
30th JANUARY, 1904, at Noon, for the  
purpose following, namely:—  
To receive and consider the Statement of  
Accounts and Balance Sheet for 31st Decem-  
ber, 1903, the Reports of the Directors and  
Auditors thereon, to elect Directors and  
Auditors, to determine whether the place  
of Mr WILLIAM WOOTTON who retires  
under Article 133 shall be filled up, whe-  
ther the Finance Committee shall be re-  
duced to two instead of three under Article  
137, and to transact any other ordinary  
business of the Company.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS and REGIS-  
TER of MEMBERS of the Company will be  
CLOSED from the 16th to the 30th  
January, 1904, both days inclusive.  
By Order,  
**GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,**  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, December 30, 1903.

**ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn  
to the Latest Hours for receiving  
Advertisements and Corrections to Adver-  
tisements.  
Alterations and additions to Advertisements  
on Pages 2, 3, 6 and 7, should be  
sent to this Office not later than 11 a.m. New  
Advertisements should be sent in before  
3 p.m.  
**BAIN & REID.**  
CHINA MAIL Office, Dec. 1900.

## Intimations.

**DANCING.**

**MRS DONALDSON** (Daughter of Pro-  
fessor F. F. WALLACE, of Rosemount  
Dancing Academy, Glasgow) has pleasure  
in advertising a SECOND BEGINNERS'  
CLASS to open in the CITY HALL,  
shortly.  
Practice twice weekly...Fee \$10 a month.  
ADDRESS:  
57, WONG NEI CHEONG ROAD.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1904.

**HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM**  
WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

**TIME TABLE.**  
WEEK DAYS.  
7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.  
8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
5.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

**NIGHT CARS** on Week Days.  
Saturdays.  
Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.  
SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the  
Company's Office, 38 and 40, Queen's Road  
Central.  
**JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON**  
General Managers  
Hongkong, June 4, 1903.

**COMMERCIAL UNION**  
ASSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

**FIRE**—Marine—Typhoon—Accident  
(special tourist forms)—Fidelity  
Guarantee—Plate Glass.  
Policies issued at current rates.  
**W. H. T. DAVIS, Manager.**  
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TING CHINESE;  
With Special Reference to  
PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION AND  
BANKRUPTCY LAWS IN  
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(Reprinted from the China Mail.)  
For Sale at the China Mail Office,  
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Of Every Description in Stock,  
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Send for Price Lists.  
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INSTALLATIONS.  
Erected and Maintained.  
Estimates given Free for all kinds of  
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Trained Mechanics sent to One-Forty of  
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**ROAD.**  
For full particulars, &c., &c.,  
Apply to  
**W. STUART HARRISON,**  
A.M. Inst. C.E.,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, April 2, 1903.

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HOUSE IN CAINE ROAD, IN FLATS.  
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of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive of  
Taxes.  
And others to suit various requirements.  
**S. A. SETH,**  
LAND & ESTATE BROKER,  
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Hongkong, January 9, 1904.

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BUILDINGS, occupying the best business  
position in the Colony.  
Apply to  
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Hongkong, September 23, 1903.

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**BEDROOM with BOARD** with Private  
Family in a healthy part of Kowloon.  
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Address—  
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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**ON or about 15th FEBRUARY next,**  
HOUSES in Kowloon, at moderate  
Rentals.  
Apply to  
**HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND**  
**FINANCE CO.**  
Hongkong, January 5, 1904.

**TO LET.**

**HOUSE No. 2, QUEEN'S GARDENS**  
as from 31st December, 1903.  
Apply  
**Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.**  
Hongkong, December 12, 1903.

**TO LET.**

**FIRST and SECOND FLOORS of No.**  
34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
Opposite the General Post Office, after  
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Messrs W. POWELL & Co., and the Cosmo-  
politan House. This House is specially  
suitable for people who are seeking places  
for Hotel purposes.  
Apply to  
**YEE SANG FAT,**  
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Hongkong, December 23, 1903.

**TO LET.**

**NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE, IN FLATS.**  
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No. 15, WONG NEI CHEONG ROAD, facing  
Race Course.  
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing the  
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OFFICES, in Course of Erection, Con-  
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GODOWNS PRAYA EAST.  
Apply to  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-**  
**MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.**  
Hongkong, December 1, 1903.

**Dentistry.**

**S. IEN TING,**  
Surgeon Dentist,  
No. 14, D'ARCAUL STREET.  
**TERMS VERY MODERATE.**  
Consultation Free.  
Hongkong, April 24, 1900.

**DENTISTRY.**

**SUI SANG,**  
Lately Practising with Dr. I. SARAT.  
DENTIST.  
Connaught Road, near Blake Pier.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1902.

**Hotels.**

**THE WAVERLEY HOTEL.**  
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A First-Class Private  
Family Hotel.  
**HANDSOMELY FURNISHED** and  
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Very MODERATE TERMS to FAMIL-  
IES by the DAY or MONTH.  
Hongkong, December 18, 1900.

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WYNDHAM STREET.  
M. MOORE,  
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PUNKETS GAP, THE PEAK.  
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For Terms,  
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1.—THE TRI-METRIC ALPHABET.  
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Translated from the Chinese  
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To be had—Edo 40 Cents the set—from  
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Street.

## LESS SPEED.

(BY W. FETT BAKER IN THE "ECHO.")

"You've got a very nice, quiet, little  
berth," she said, "and my advice to you  
is not to give it up unless they made it  
worth your while."

The old man, with red handkerchief  
bound over cap and under chin, came  
slowly out of his tarpaulin house, looked  
round to see that the road was still up,  
adjusted the red lantern, and, resuming  
the superfluous counsel, said once more  
that the Finchley buses ran every quarter  
of an hour.

"I used to tell my Elsie," went on the  
matronly lady, "never to do anything  
without thinking it well over, and, strange  
though you are to me, I say the same to  
you. I used to tell her about a certain  
incident that happened when I'd only been  
married a month or two; I was remind-  
ing her of it the other day because it was  
a lesson to me—it ought to be a lesson to  
her, and it might be a lesson to you."

The old watchman asked, in a growling  
undertone, what he had done to deserve  
all this.  
"You must understand that I'd had  
long talks with my poor husband before  
we were married, and it was definitely  
understood that I was to be master. In  
married life one has to lead, and the other  
has to follow, and I decided that it would  
be better for all parties that I should be the  
one to lead. So after we was married I  
arranged, you see, that he should always  
be in by half-past nine of an evening, and  
take off his boots at once and clean them  
ready for the next morning."

"Couldn't you make it twenty-five to  
ten?" he says.  
"Half-past nine," I says, "and don't  
let me have to speak twice."

"Right you are, dear," he says (he  
always called me dear for some reason),  
"right you are, dear. I'll try not to for-  
get."  
"You'd better not," I says. "I'm not  
the kind of girl to put up with nonsense."  
"I know that, dear," he says.  
"We'd better married, I s'pose, about  
six weeks or two months when my sister  
sent me an invitation—she called it a party,  
but it wasn't really a party—and she didn't  
ask him because, as she said, if he came  
he'd be sure to want to sing. I didn't  
blame her for that, although I was fond of  
him, mind you; besides by going alone I  
knew I should be able to talk away with-  
out being corrected by him. I too, follow,  
he never would listen to anything but the  
absolute truth; I sometimes think now it  
was his one drawback."

"I warned him before I went, as plainly  
as I could speak, that we not being at  
home was not to make the slightest differ-  
ence to his time for coming in, and he pro-  
mised faithfully that he wouldn't be a  
minute later than half-past nine. I let  
him give me a kiss and off I started.  
"I'm quite prepared to admit that I  
stayed on later than I had intended to do.  
You know how it is when you meet relat-  
ives; one word leads to another; there's  
a row before you know where you are, and  
you can't very well leave in the midst of it.  
When I rushed home (I'd been going over  
on the way what I should say to him if he  
complained of being kept up), I let myself  
in with the latch-key, and the first thing I  
noticed was—no light! Not a speck of  
light anywhere. I made me way somehow  
into the sitting-room, and after knocking  
over nearly everything in the place, I man-  
aged to find the lucifer matches. When I  
realised that he wasn't there, my first idea  
was to burst into tears, but I could see  
directly that wouldn't be much use, so I  
just sat down in the easy chair without  
taking me bonnet off and waited."

"Eleven o'clock struck, and he never  
came in. Half-past eleven and no signs  
of him. Twelve o'clock struck, and then  
I began to get mad. I could see it all.  
He'd guessed that I should stay on late;  
he was out with a lot of men that were no  
use to him; he'd come in presently reeking  
with tobacco-smoke. Presently I began to  
make up my mind that I wouldn't endure  
such conduct on his part. I'd learn him a  
lesson that he wouldn't easily forget.  
There was a cabrank down in the main-  
road, and I decided that I'd go straight  
back to my sister's; I'd knock her up.  
I'd tell her that all I'd been saying about

Relieves the scal-  
ding pain at once  
and  
**CURES**  
all discharges from  
the genito-  
urinary or-  
gans in either  
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48 HOURS  
Santal-Midy is a  
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or Injections,  
and causes  
no inconveniences.  
Beware of imitations.  
Each Capsule  
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**MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.**

**Tender Closed.**  
11 a.m.—Government Bills received by  
Chief Postmaster, Army Pay Depart-  
ment.

**General Memoranda.**  
WEDNESDAY, January 13—  
Transfer Books of The China Provident  
Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. closed from  
this date to the 16th January, 1904,  
inclusive.  
Goods per *Arara* undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.  
Goods per *Maria Valerie* undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 15—  
9 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.  
Register of Shares of The Kowloon Land  
& Building Co., Ltd. closed from this  
date to the 24th January, 1904, in-  
clusive.  
Goods per *Sachsen* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 16—  
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of  
China Provident Loan and Mortgage  
Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices.  
9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volun-  
teer Corps at City Hall.  
Transfer Books of The National Bank of  
China, Ltd. closed from this date to  
the 30th inst., inclusive.  
Register of Shares of The Hongkong  
Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.,  
closed from this date to the 27th  
January, inclusive.

Register of Shares of The West Point  
Building Co., Ltd., closed from this date  
to the 27th January, inclusive.  
MONDAY, January 18—  
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the  
Public Works Department's Offices.

**A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
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**WATSON'S  
SEASONABLE  
SPECIALITIES.**

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all cases of Cough, both in Adults and  
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Sportsmen will find this a first-rate remedy  
for Sprains and Bruises. In cases of  
Rheumatism, Chest Affections, and  
pain in the limbs, its application has  
a most soothing and comforting effect.

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Is a pleasant cure for Chapped Lips, and  
Rough and Chafed Skin, so often ex-  
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**BIRTH.**  
On the 10th inst., at 'Lewkoo', the  
Peak, the wife of MARGARET WATSON, of a  
Daughter.

**MARRIAGE.**  
On January 6, at St. Joseph's Church,  
Fench Town, by the Rev. Pere Le Gall,  
WALTER ANDREW CROMBIE, to ESTELLA  
CORINNE PATRAULT.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 5.20 p.m.

**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 1904.

In Hongkong, rainfall is not matter  
of mere academic interest, but in-  
sufficient as we are directly dependent on  
it for our water supply, it is a question  
of first importance to every household,  
and we need therefore make no apolo-  
gy for placing before our readers the  
rainfall statistics for the year. The  
rainfall of 1903 amounted to 93.65  
inches, and the average of the previous  
19 years to 84.34 inches. Last year's  
rain was therefore 11 per cent. above the  
average. Looking at the monthly  
table, we find that with the exceptions  
of February, June, September, October  
and December, the monthly rainfall  
did not vary materially from the  
average. February and December  
were practically rainless; June had  
half as much again as the average;  
and October less than half the average.  
February's and December's rainfall,  
even if considerably above the average,  
are generally negligible quantities so  
far as the waterworks are concerned.  
In an average or wet year, an excep-  
tional rainfall at midsummer is  
no advantage—the reservoirs over-  
flow and run to waste. A wet  
September is, however, a great ad-  
vantage for Water Supply purposes, as  
it is about this time that the over-  
flow usually ceases. October's average can  
scarcely be reckoned on. Besides  
being small, it is made up largely of  
exceptional years, such as 1893 and  
1894, in both of which there was over  
17 inches in that month.

We can say then that on the whole  
the year has been favourable for water-  
works purposes; and we understand  
that a new reservoir has been brought  
into use at Tytan and that pumping  
plant, lifting half a million gallons a  
day into the Tytan tunnel, has been  
erected at Tytan Tuk. And in spite  
of all this, we are reduced to short  
supply at Christmas, with the pro-  
bability of its continuance to April,  
and possibly May. Seeing that the  
Colony is condemned, under the pro-  
tection of giving 'equal protection to  
all,' and on the plea that under the  
British flag every man, 'from the  
highest to the poorest coolie,' is  
free to think, speak and act as  
he likes, to suffer these periodic  
water famines, brought on by the  
waste of water in Chinese houses, and  
that with a favourable year's rainfall  
we have to face four or five months'  
shortage of water, we cannot urge too  
strongly on the Government that no  
obstacle should be placed in the way  
of the prompt extension of the Colony's  
Waterworks—not to meet present  
needs only, but with a view to the  
continuous expansion of the City and  
to put a stop to these annually recur-  
ring water famines. Perhaps some will  
think it a small matter that the Colony  
should be reduced to two hours' supply  
for four or five months in the year;  
but if the Colony should have to  
face a 'water-year' of 46 inches,  
such as it had in 1901-2, with the  
present works, the consequences would  
be disastrous.

We give below the monthly rainfall  
for the year and a table showing the  
yearly rainfall since the Observatory  
was started—

**RAINFALL AT HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.**  
1903. Mean. Max. Min.

January..... 1.37 1.32 8.43 0.01  
February..... 2.21 1.94 7.95 0.24  
March..... 2.67 2.62 10.43 0.17  
April..... 4.73 5.61 14.89 1.96  
May..... 13.96 13.41 48.84 1.15  
June..... 25.23 16.35 31.37 2.34  
July..... 11.16 12.43 33.24 4.57  
August..... 14.37 14.18 27.67 5.20  
September..... 16.54 7.77 10.11 1.94  
October..... 1.66 4.89 17.87 0.01  
November..... 1.69 1.74 7.32 0.01  
December..... .08 1.08 4.69 0.00

**YEARLY RAINFALL AT HONGKONG  
OBSERVATORY.**

1884..... 108.92  
1885..... 75.49  
1886..... 69.17  
1887..... 66.20  
1888..... 104.58  
1889..... 119.72  
1890..... 70.93  
1891..... 117.12  
1892..... 90.97  
1893..... 99.95  
1894..... 104.25  
1895..... 48.83  
1896..... 72.79  
1897..... 100.03  
1898..... 57.02  
1899..... 72.69  
1900..... 73.73  
1901..... 55.78  
1902..... 97.60  
1903..... 94.65

**Useful Household Medicine.**  
CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera and  
Diarrhoea Remedy is recommended  
for the speedy and permanent cure of  
Dysentery, Diarrhoea, Chronic Diarrhoea,  
Pain in the Stomach, Colic, Summer  
Complaint, Bilious Colic, and Cholera  
Infantum. It has been in the market 35  
years, and its wonderful sale has been  
effected by what those who have used it  
say, and to its curative power. It is to  
be found in thousands of homes all over  
the world. For sale by a chemist and  
medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd., General  
Agents.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**Consuls at Loggerheads.**  
The American mail brings intelligence  
to the effect that the United States Con-  
sular General at Shanghai, Mr. John  
Goodnow, and the United States Consul at  
Choofoo, Mr. John Fowler, have made charges  
and counter charges against one another  
and are fighting them out in America.

**Overland China Mail.**  
With the first issue for the year, the  
*Overland China Mail*—the weekly edition  
of the *China Mail*—assumes a new form.  
We trust the change of arrangement will  
be acceptable to our numerous readers in  
all parts of the world. The first issue con-  
tains sixteen pages of four columns each,  
made up in handy form.

**The Sugar Industry.**  
The German Sugar Refineries Syndi-  
cate which formally lasted up to the end of  
December, came practically to an end on  
Dec. 1, all bargains for delivery after Jan. 1  
being now free from any restrictions. The  
trade can now buy where it likes, with-  
out being tied down to any fixed prices or  
to any local limitation. The only check will  
be the state of the raw sugar markets in  
Germany and abroad, and a sharp competi-  
tion between the various factories is  
probable.

**Railways in China.**

The first place in *The Engineering  
Magazine* for December is given to an  
illustrated article entitled 'Railway  
Making in China' from the pen of Mr.  
Thos. H. Reid. The article deals mainly  
with railways in South China, and gives  
a detailed description of the Canton-Sam-  
shui line, which was opened in November  
last. In introducing the article to their  
readers, the Editors write:—'The crux of  
the complications in the Far East is the  
competition for opportunity to exploit  
the Chinese Empire. It is anomalous  
that the largest factor in the field, as  
far as the northern provinces are  
concerned, should be Russia—a country  
wholly unprepared to supply the engineer-  
ing equipment and promote the industrial  
development which have always accom-  
panied Anglo-Saxon influence in new lands.  
It is of interest, therefore, at a time when  
so much is heard of Russian aims in north-  
eastern Asia, to contrast her record with  
the character and spirit of the work actually  
done by Americans and Englishmen in  
South China.'

**Britain and Tibet.**

Professor Vambéry contributes to *Die  
Zeit* an interesting article on the Tibet  
question, which he considers may easily  
lead to international complications next  
Spring. With regard to Russia's aims, he  
remarks that her greed for territory has no  
bounds, while she now sees a further op-  
portunity of striking a blow at her British  
rival. Professor Vambéry thinks that  
Russia's open intervention on behalf of  
the Dalai Lama is out of the question, but  
he insists that Great Britain cannot per-  
mit any moral intervention on her part  
either—first, because Russian policy seeks  
to find in Tibet a point for attack on China;  
secondly, because Great Britain must not  
forget that Eastern Turkestan will sooner  
or later become the prey of Russia.  
In conclusion, the writer says that in no  
circumstances can Great Britain allow  
Russia to strengthen the positions which  
the latter now occupy in Persia, in Af-  
ghanistan, and in the Pamirs, which are so  
dangerous to British interests. Little  
Tibet has been in British possession for  
years, and Great Britain may also be-  
come so, if Great Britain only will it, and  
Great Britain must so will unless she  
wishes to lose India.

**Marriage of Admiral Stephenson.**

Admiral Sir Henry Stephenson,  
G.C.V.O., K.C.B., first and principal  
Naval Aide-de-Camp, and Extra Equerry  
to His Majesty, was married to the Hon.  
Mrs. William Keppel in St. James's Church,  
Piccadilly, on the 5th ult. His Majesty  
sent the bridegroom a magnificent silver  
bowl, on which was engraved 'To Admiral  
Sir Henry Stephenson, G.C.V.O., K.C.B.,  
on the occasion of his marriage, 5th Decem-  
ber, 1903. From his old friend, Edward  
R. and L.'; her Majesty's gift was an  
Empire table; the Princess Louise,  
Duchess of Fife, and the Duke of Fife,  
gave an engraved glass and gold liquor set  
in case, the Princess Victoria and Princess  
Charles of Denmark sent a Shroton curio  
table, the Duke of Connaught sent the  
bridegroom a small tassa of jade mounted  
in gold, and Princess Louise, Duchess of  
Argyll, and Princess Louise of Battenberg  
an antique circular table. An interesting  
present was a large silver three-handled  
loving cup, the combined gift of Admiral  
Sir Algernon Heneage, Prince Louis of  
Battenberg, and 20 Admirals and Captains  
in his Majesty's Navy. There was also a  
beautiful silver silver, with the family  
arms of both bride and bridegroom en-  
graved on the front, and the names of the  
donors, twelve members of his Majesty's  
household, on the back.

**Entertainment at Kowloon School.**

The performance of the musical play  
entitled 'Old King Cole' was repeated on  
Saturday afternoon for the special benefit  
of the children of Hongkong and Kowloon.  
Mrs. May was present with a party from  
Government House, while amongst other  
ladies present our representative noted  
Lady Goodman, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Has-  
tings, Mrs. Irving, Mrs. Stedman, Mrs.  
Robinson, Mrs. Tulloch, Mrs. Strickland,  
Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Jack, Mrs. Stewart, and  
Mrs. Ferguson. An excellent rendering of  
an excellent little play was witnessed by  
a highly appreciative audience. We have  
nothing but praise for all the performers,  
from Tommy Martin, aged four, who in  
the guise of a courtier, sang lustily in every  
chorus, to Eva Packham, aged five, who in  
a long gown and with her hair done up,  
looked a very fascinating maid of honour.  
The rendering of the song 'Where are you  
going to my pretty maid,' by Missie Love  
and Alfred Martin, came in for special  
applause. Both have good voices, whilst  
Miss Love's acting was almost worthy  
of a trained grown up actress.  
She was presented with a bouquet, a  
similar compliment being paid to Misses  
Stewart, Kennett, Parker, and Lambert, at  
the termination of the dances. Mrs. Bird  
went most ably accompanied all the singers  
on the piano. At the conclusion of the  
entertainment the children were given  
refreshments in one of the class-rooms.  
On behalf of Mrs. May for the pleasure they  
had given. The children replied with three  
cheers for Mrs. May. We understand that  
out of the proceeds a sum of about £20 will  
be available for transmission to the London  
North Eastern Hospital for Children. We  
understand that the warmest thanks are  
due to the Amateur Dramatic Club for  
lending costumes, to those parents who  
provided costumes for their children, to  
Mrs. Davidson for arranging the dance, to  
the residents at Kowloon Docks for lending  
their stage, and lastly to the children them-  
selves for cheerfully giving up their hol-  
idays to rehearsal.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

**Notes by the Way.**  
Telegrams from the north announce  
the death of the Dowager Empress of  
China.

There were 233 European and 90  
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,  
62 European and 2,275 Chinese visitors to  
the Museum during the week ending 10th  
January.

An anonymous donor has placed four-  
teen grains of pure radium, valued at £600,  
at the disposal of the medical staff of the  
Cancer Hospital, Fulham, and an ex-  
haustive trial of the new radium treatment  
for cancer is to be commenced at once.

Early last year a gentleman imported  
a number of American prairie hens, and  
they were set at liberty in Buckingham-  
shire. One of the birds was recently shot  
at Wing, in Bucks, and another was killed  
near Croydon, the two places being about  
fifty miles apart.

We have received the New Year's  
number of the *Kokumin Shinbun*, a Japa-  
nese paper published at Tokio. In addi-  
tion to the vernacular, there is an article  
in English on the crisis. The supplement is  
a highly-coloured one of a Japanese lady  
herself in a hand-mirror.

**Found in a House.**

Tang Tung was found in a dwelling  
house at No. 95 Station Street Yaumati,  
on Friday last, without lawful excuse. At  
the Magistrate's day Mr. T. Sercombe  
Smith sentenced him to three months' im-  
prisonment and three hours' stocks for  
being a rogue and vagabond.

**Arctic Botany.**

The geologist, Dr. Schiö, who was one  
of the members of the recent Swedish Ex-  
pedition, has just read an interesting paper  
at the Christiania Geographical Society  
about the vegetation found in Ellesmere  
Land in the Arctic regions. It appears  
that there are whole meadows full of Arctic  
flowers there; and the so-called Bird  
Mountains, according to the lecturer,  
must almost be described as a botanical  
garden. Amongst other things, a slope  
was discovered in one of the Bays com-  
pletely covered with a violet-coloured car-  
pet of *Saxifraga oppositifolia*. Traces  
were found in stony debris which proved  
that there were formerly flowers in those  
regions which now only grow in warm  
climates like Australia.

**A False Banknote.**

The fact that had bank notes are still  
in circulation, despite the efforts of the  
police, was exemplified by the arrest of  
Wong Tam. At about noon yesterday he  
went into a second-hand clothes shop at  
No. 40, Station Street, Yaumati, and  
selected a blanket and a watch, for which  
he bargained. Ultimately they were offer-  
ed him for 99.20; and he tendered a  
\$10 note on the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Bank. The 'fok' took the note, and  
suspecting that it was bad, he handed it  
to his master for inspection. As it  
seemed to the master of the shop to be  
bad, he declined to take it, and asked  
for another note. Wong Tam said that  
the note was good, and that he had  
no other to give him. The master of the  
shop asked him to leave a deposit  
as bargain money. Wong Tam had no  
money, and a policeman came in. On  
asking Wong Tam where he got the note,  
he replied that he received it from his  
master as wages, but later on he stated  
that he won it by gambling. At the  
Magistrate's day before Mr. T. Sercombe  
Smith, Wong Tam was charged with ut-  
tering a false note, and also with being  
in possession of it. After evidence the case  
was adjourned until Tuesday at 10 a.m.

**Football.**

HONGKONG F.C. vs. THE 'ALBION.'

H.M.S. Albion's Association football  
team defeated the Hongkong Club by two  
goals to nil on Saturday at Happy Valley.

The teams were—  
*Albion*: Goal, Barr; Backs, Kerr and  
Oliver; Halves, Holmes, Hargreaves and  
Forwards, Ball, Williams,  
Wallace, Foran and McGinnis.  
*Hongkong*: Goal, Kerr; Backs, Austen,  
and Ainslie; Halves, Gray, Bonnar and  
Danby; Forwards, Williams, Brent,  
Hancock, Cooper, and Richardson.  
Wallace kicked off for the *Albion*, and  
Foran passed on to McGinnis. The latter  
returned to Foran, who shot a goal within  
a minute or two of starting. After the  
kick out, play was brisk and the Club  
invaded the *Albion's* goal. Kerr missed  
and Brent came on fast, but failed to  
score. McGinnis took the ball down the  
line at his toe and controlled. Danby re-  
lived for the Club. Brent from a pass  
made a bad shot at goal, Barr saving.  
Foran and McGinnis carried the ball to  
the opposing backs, but Austen saved his  
side by punting high. Foran shot at  
goal and Kerr saved, the ball striking the  
goal post. From a corner kick Han-  
cock took the leather up the field, finally  
sending to Cooper, who kicked too high,  
the ball going over the bar. Spencer  
stopped a hot one from Hancock, and  
Barr was called on to protect his goal  
against Richardson. He saved, and the  
*Albion's* went for the Club's goal.  
McGinnis beat Gray all the way down  
and sent to Foran, whose shot was  
blocked by Austen. The Club had a warm  
time of it for a spell, Hancock and Kerr  
doing good defence.

In the second spell the Club attacked  
strongly, but Oliver and Barr drove them  
back each time. Danby, Bonnar and  
Hancock came along at a good pace, but  
Hargreaves and Holmes relieved, and Kerr  
was hard pressed. The game was fast and  
each team was putting in good work. The  
passing of the Club was more sure than that  
of their opponents, but the good defence of  
the *Albion's* backs more than equalled  
matters. From a corner kick McGinnis  
scored, the ball beating a couple of the  
Club's men. Cooper and Hancock made a  
good showing, but although the Club  
played stronger football during the rest of  
the spell, they were unable to break  
through the *Albion's* defence, and the game  
finished with the *Albion's* leading by two  
goals to nil.

## THE RIOT AT AMOY.

**A SIKH TOUCHED A LADY'S  
CHEEK.**

*Chinese Arm Themselves with  
Fallings.*  
(From Our Own Correspondent).

Amoy, January 8.  
The annual races of Amoy have just passed  
into history. The races were held on the  
afternoons of Tuesday, Wednesday, and  
Thursday, Jan. 5 to 7, and were favoured  
with magnificent weather—a cold North-  
East wind tempered by brilliant sunshine,  
the last day being the warmest of the three.  
The racing was of a fairly average character,  
and the winners pretty evenly divided,  
though Dr. Macdonald and his partner, Mr.  
B. Hempel, obtained the largest number of  
wins. No one grudged them their well-  
earned success.

But the event, usually of so festive and  
fascinating a character, nearly ended this  
year in what might have been a most seri-  
ous catastrophe. As usual it was attended  
not only by the majority of the Amoy resi-  
dents, and such visitors to the Port who are  
attracted by racing, but by immense num-  
bers of the Chinese, who filled the large area  
surrounding the race-course to overflowing.  
This fact led to a riot. It started, it is  
said, owing to one of the Sikh policemen  
(who are our Guardians of the Peace on  
Kulangu), touching in fun the cheek of a  
woman—an action which is considered by  
the Chinese a gross insult, especially when  
done by a coloured man. This led to  
shouts from the crowd to the Sikh to desist,  
and ere long in the use of fists and feet,  
and eventually the Sikh struck a Chinaman  
severely behind the ear inflicting a wound  
on the neck which drew blood. The man  
was brought into the enclosure for treat-  
ment at the hands of Dr. Moorhead, but  
the crowd, fearing he would be further  
hurt, and perhaps killed by the foreigners,  
clamoured for his instant release. He was  
at once sent back to his friends, but when  
the crowd saw the bleeding wound they be-  
came unmanageable and made an ugly row  
for the paddock and Grand Stand, where  
the ladies and other foreigners were.

The Amoy Total sent for soldiers, and  
at last with the aid of the Sikhs and the  
sailors from H.M.S. ship *Rumler*, the  
ladies were rescued and escorted off the  
ground, without harm. But not before  
several Sikhs and sailors, as well as  
some Amoy residents, had received various  
minor damages, such as scalp wounds and  
bruises.

The leaders of the riot were some of the  
most characters in Amoy, and things looked  
very serious at one time. They armed  
themselves with the white palings and stakes  
that marked out the course, and the paddock  
and stand and other enclosures looked a  
wreck after it was over. Two races had to  
be postponed and are being run to-day in-  
stead.

This is, I believe, the first time there has  
ever been a riot in connection with the  
Amoy races, though some years ago a trouble  
arose between the gipsies and amoy men, and  
some Chinese soldiers.

Comments upon events are apt to be re-  
sented, but there can be no doubt that the  
Chinese very much dislike the Sikh police-  
men, and it does seem as if these men are  
nowadays wise in their way of dealing with  
the Chinese. If we are to continue using  
Sikhs for our protection on Kulangu, it is to  
be hoped that they will learn to be more  
considerate of Chinese prejudice and cus-  
toms. It is more by good luck than anything  
else that this riot has not turned out to  
be more serious affair.

**NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.**  
The following appointments have been  
gazetted:—Midshipmen—W. H. Yonge, E.  
Brooke, E. P. W. Broad, to the *Cressy*; A.  
Hyde Smith, E. W. Bultell, to the *Blenheim*;  
H. R. Troop, to the *Albion* (to date Dec. 22);  
S. P. Beatty, to the *Albion* (un-  
dated); J. T. Denison, C. P. Vantrie, to  
the *Ocean*; G. S. White, to the *Palapa*; R.  
Fores, to the *Glory*, additional on recom-  
missioning (to date Dec. 22); C. T. Hardy,  
to the *Glory*, additional (to date Dec. 22);  
First Surgeons—G. W. Buchanan-Hamilton,  
to the *Glory*, on recommissioning (un-  
dated); G. Wilson, M.B., to the *King Alfred*,  
on commissioning (to date Dec. 22),  
and to the *Leviathan* (undated); C. E.  
Goughgan, to the *King Alfred*, for voyage  
home (undated).

Surgeons—J. Martin, to the *King Alfred*,  
on commissioning (to date Dec. 22), and to the  
*Glory*, on recommissioning (un-  
dated); R. P. Macdonald, to the *King Alfred*,  
on commissioning (to date Dec. 22);  
and to the *Glory*, on recommissioning  
(undated); J. Thornhill, M.B., to the  
*King*, on recommissioning; H. Haskins-  
son, M.B., and J. G. Wallis, M.B., to the  
*King Alfred*, for voyage home (undated).  
Commander—T. L. Schellard, to the  
*Glory*, for navigation duties on recommis-  
sioning.  
Lieutenants—C. D. Carpendale, to the  
*Glory* as First Lieutenant, and for gunnery  
duties on recommissioning; C. T. Hardy,  
to the *Glory*, additional (to date Dec. 22),  
and for the *Glory* on recommissioning;  
G. L. Saurin, W. B. Mackenzie, H. B. Kingston, and R. S.  
Snodgrass, all to the *Glory*, additional (to date  
Dec. 22), and for the *Glory* on recommis-  
sioning; H. L. Dick, to the *King Alfred*,  
as First Lieutenant, and for navigation  
duties; F. O. Pocock, to the *King Alfred*,  
for gunnery duties (to date Dec. 22), and for  
the *Tamar*, for gunnery duties (un-  
dated); F. L. Attenborough, to the *King Alfred*,  
for torpedo duties; H. Stansbury, to the  
*King Alfred*, for gunnery duties, un-  
dated.

Engineer Commanders—W. Hines, to the  
*King Alfred*; J. S. Walsh, to the *Glory*,  
on recommissioning.  
Engineer Lieut.—W. G. Colquhoun, to  
the *King Alfred* (to date Dec. 22); F. G.  
Haddy, to the *Glory* (to date on recommis-  
sioning); C. Main, to the *Ocean*, un-  
dated.

Sub-Lieutenants—J. G. Davies and F. E.  
H. Hobart, to the *Glory*, on recommissioning.  
Engineer Sub-Lieutenants—G. W. Bodel,  
to the *Glory*, on recommissioning; P.  
Reeve, to the *Amphiprite*; E. Groves, F. J.  
Pedrick, and G. E. McEwan, to the *King  
Alfred* (undated); G. L. J. Rish, to the  
*King Alfred* (to date Dec. 22), and to the  
*Glory* on recommissioning; C. B. F. Le  
W. Buck, to the *King Alfred* (to date Dec.  
22), and to the *King* on recommissioning;  
H. L. Hammond, to the *King Alfred*  
(to date Dec. 22), and to the *Glory* on  
recommissioning; A. V. Eldridge, to the  
*King Alfred* (undated).

Paymaster—G. H. Rowe, to the *King  
Alfred* (to date Dec. 22).  
Artificer Engineer—A. P. Norris, to  
the *King Alfred* (to date Dec. 22), and to  
the *Hamble* (undated).

Acting Artificer Engineers—J. W. H. E.  
Williams and W. J. Pearce, to the *King  
Alfred*



## TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]  
RECEIVED BY TELETYPE, VIA JAPAN.

## THE WAR CLOUD.

## JAPAN'S LONDON MINISTER SPEAKS.

## Not Apprised of Japan's Intention.

LONDON, January 9.

Vicount Hayashi, the Japanese Minister in London, has been interviewed by the Press. He stated that it was impossible to say at present whether or not Japan would send a reply to Russia. With regard to the ultimate issue, the Minister said that it would be going too far to say that all hope of peace was abandoned.

## The Situation Discussed.

A well-informed correspondent writes to us from Japan on the 2nd inst.:—At present war seems almost inevitable. Everything depends on Russia, and, despite all the pacific assurances circulated, the 'forward' party seems there to be in the ascendant. Japan sticks to her 'irreducible minimum', and refuses to budge, proceeding actively with preparations which can only mean that she anticipates the outbreak of war.

## Russia's Reply Unsatisfactory.

Exchanges from the North do not bring any definite information with regard to Japan's intentions towards Russia. Telegrams from the N. O. Daily News, dated January 7, state that Russia's rejoinder is again unsatisfactory and that she appears still to hope for a peaceful settlement. The situation, however, is considered to be most grave, and to have now reached the stage where it must be handled by the military arm.

Russia's answer in unsatisfactory, especially with reference to Korea. The negotiations between Japan and Russia have no common ground on which they can be continued. The so-called friendly negotiations are undoubtedly futile.

## Legation Guards for Korea.

Another wire says that twenty-three Russian marines and one officer arrived at Seoul on the 6th for the protection of the Russian Legation.

On the 6th, thirty-six American marines and four officers entered Seoul.

## Japan Sends Troops to Korea.

Says a Far Eastern Press Association wire from Tokyo, dated January 6.—Thirty-five thousand Japanese troops have been ordered immediately to Korea.

In spite of the fact that the government has established a censorship of news, and that it has prohibited the publication of the movements of troops and ships, this fact has leaked out.

## More Disquieting Signs.

According to a telegram to the *Mainichi*, dated Seoul, December 30.—The Russian Minister to Seoul is believed to be working through some influential Korean officials to secure a lease of some ports near Munsu, Chinkwan and Fusan. The movement is attracting much attention. A large quantity of barley was landed at Chonulpo recently. The Korean Government is impatient in the belief that war is imminent. Acting American Minister to Seoul, has addressed an official note to the Korean Government and advised them that he will not present himself at the Court on the New Year's day, unless the government takes steps at once to stop Yungnam (Yong An) Phoo. Ye Kun-tak, Acting War Minister, has addressed an insulting note to the Japanese Minister to Seoul, and the alleged agreement about the employment of Russian military officers.

## A Grave Situation.

Writing on December 31 the *Kobe Chronicle* says:—At the time of going to press, there is nothing fresh to report from Tokyo save that great activity prevails in the various Government departments connected with the services.

A diplomatic official whose name is not mentioned is stated to have pointed out that now the substance of the recent reply of Russia to Japan has leaked out, Europe has been suddenly startled at the gravity of the situation, and even now certain of the European Governments appear to hope for a peaceful solution, and it is even declared that Russia is ready to make concessions. This diplomatic official's whether it is at all probable that Russia has any such intention, Japan, he holds, has reason to believe that Russia is insincere in this matter, and it is generally thought that she is merely seeking to gain time. According to the same authority the difference between the two countries is not so much a question of extent of claims as one of principle. Briefly, Japan insists on certain arrangements being made with regard to Manchuria, while Russia makes a similar claim with regard to Korea. Russia declares that the occupation of Manchuria is a full accomplishment, and that the abandonment of the territory is entirely out of the question. In addition, she claims by virtue of the Russo-Japanese Conventions to have equal rights with Japan in Korea, and the decline to withdraw from that attitude. The diplomatic official thinks that while Russia may be willing to make some concessions with regard to the extent of her claim, she is not likely to do so on the question of principle, and unless Japan can obtain such a concession all negotiations must be in vain.

Now far this diplomatic official is accurate in his statement of the case we cannot say, but there is unfortunately very general feeling in Japan that a concession offered by Russia is not likely to be one that Japan can accept.

## Russia Peaceful?

Telegrams from Berlin to the *Die Gesellschaft Lloyd*, dated January 5, state that the Russian Government has sent its answer to the last Japanese Note to Admiral Alexieff, who is ordered to forward it at once to the Japanese Government. It is proposed therein, that the

negotiations about some new points, which have been raised, will be transferred to St. Petersburg. Both in Berlin and in Paris, the best informed circles assure us that any such move taken by Japan in South Korea would not be a case of war for Russia. If the Russian answer is received favorably in Tokyo, Admiral Alexieff will start at once for St. Petersburg.

No Power will offer any resistance against the Japanese movements in South Korea. Great Britain and America are each sending a man-of-war to Chonulpo and a landing guard to Seoul.

Well-informed circles of St. Petersburg are convinced that Russia will not lose the peace. It is reported that Russia accepts in her last note Japan's demands with regard to Korea, but Russia has added some conditions.

## Problems for China.

The *Sin Wai Pao* gathers that the Peking Grand Council telegraphed on the 31st ultimo to the Viceroy and Governors of the various provinces that the Council had been advised by Minister Hu of St. Petersburg and Minister Yang of Tokyo, both stating that there was very small hope of a peaceful outcome from the Russo-Japanese negotiations. Therefore, should the Russo-Japanese strength be insufficient, and China stand by and remain neutral, the would not be treating Japan in the right way, but if she should co-operate with Japan, then the difficulty would be that her military strength was insufficient; moreover, Japan should be defeated by Russia, for was China to stand the exorbitant demands that would certainly be made on her by Russia after defeating Japan. The telegram concluded by asking the various provincial authorities to give a definite reply to the Council whether China should co-operate with Japan and go to war with Russia and the Council would transmit their opinions to the Throne.

## The Seoul-Fusan Railway.

Article III. of the Japanese Imperial Ordinance relating to the appropriation of income from the War Fund says:—'The Government is authorized to grant yen 1,750,000 to the Seoul-Fusan Railway Company, as a subsidy towards the work, with the object of hastening the completion of the company's line; and should the amount so granted prove inadequate to cover expenses incurred a further subsidy not exceeding yen 450,000 may be made. Regulations shall be specially adopted for the examination of the accounts of expenditure made under this subsidy mentioned in the preceding clause.'

The Government is authorized to raise the yen 1,750,000 by means of a temporary loan.

## Hiring Transports.

A Hiroshima despatch to the *Yuhin* states that all temples in that city have been leased by the authorities with the object of preparing them for the accommodation of troops. Preparations for the despatch of troops are now complete.

A Tokio despatch to the *Asahi* states that the *Nippon Maru* Hongkong *Zen* and *America Maru*, of the *Yokohama Kaisha*, have been provisionally chartered as transport vessels.

## Reported Seizure of Ships.

It is rumored among Japanese in Kobe that several steamers chartered by the *West Shikoku Steamship Co.* (Messrs. Holmes, Ringer & Co.) to convey coal to Port Arthur have been seized by the Russians. The origin of the rumor seems to be that Japanese owners of the vessels can get no reply to their telegrams. Why the Russians should seize vessels which are conveying the coal which they require so much we cannot say. Certainly such a course would prevent any more coal being shipped in Japanese bottoms to the Russian port. The story, we think, may be dismissed as mythical. — *Kobe Chronicle*.

## Missions of war.

The *Mainichi* Russian *Kaisha* steamer *Ara* is under Government charter, has been loading fodder and war material at Yokohama, and the *Hokushima-maru*, chartered from the *Meiwa* Shoten, has been loading similar cargo at Yokohama. The *Yokohama Kaisha* steamer *Sincho*, the *Yokohama Kaisha* steamer *Koku* is reported to have left with a full cargo of military provisions and a quantity of gunpowder.

## Russians at Port Arthur.

The *Sin Wai Pao* gathers that at present there are over 20,000 Russian troops at Port Arthur, 15,000 of whom are within the harbor limits and 5,000 of whom are a score of torpedo boats within.

## Chinese Navy Preparing.

The following Chinese navy, under the command of Admiral Sui, have been ordered to prepare for immediate service in northern waters:—*Feiyang*, torpedo gunboat, 850 tons, 12 knots; *Shanhai*, 400 tons, 24 knots; *Shanhai*, 400 tons, 24 knots; *Shanhai*, 400 tons, 24 knots; *Shanhai*, 400 tons, 24 knots.

## Glasgow Marines to Japan.

A far Eastern Press Association telegram dated Glasgow, January 4, says that the British marine engineers stationed here have been ordered to proceed immediately to Japan.

## Japanese Cruisers for Korea.

Another far Eastern Press Association wire says that six cruisers under command of Admiral Kusunoki have sailed for Misamis in Korea.

## Chinese Activity.

Dispatches received at Shanghai from various cities in the interior of China along the maritime coast and riverine provinces all report considerable military activity, such as constant drilling with firearms, that have been recently handed out by the provincial authorities. In many places also it is reported that recruiting is active, especially in the Kiangsu districts, (i.e. Tsingkiang, Huachow, Hainan, and Chinkiang), the provinces of Hunan and Hubei, and in Kwangtung. All seem to indicate some unusual policy of warfare activity, so that it is an open secret that China is to join Japan in her war against Russia.

## A Russian Proposal.

According to the *Onaka Mainichi* Russia has proposed that a neutral zone should be established in Korea, the southern boundary of which should be the Taedong River. In return for this arrangement, the Russian Government asks Japan to approve of works already undertaken by Russia in Northern Korea, but this Japan positively refuses to do. The *Kobe Chronicle* doubts the accuracy of this report.

## The Council of War.

The following is the constitution, as provided in a special ordinance, of Japan's new War Council:—General Field-Marshal in the *Genrai*, the highest board of military advisers; the Minister for War, the Minister for the Navy; President of the General Army Staff Department and Naval Staff Department, together with those officers of the Army and Navy of the rank of General or Admiral, who have been specially appointed Councillors. The senior officer among the Councillors shall be appointed President of the Council.

## ROWING.

The Victoria Recreation Club, with the idea of keeping their men in training, decided some time ago to hold scratch races during the winter season, the first one of which takes place on Saturday, January 30. The crews selected to take part are as follows:—

THREE. SHAMROCK.  
F. D. Bain (Stroke) A. Humphreys (Stroke)  
G. O. Cooke, J. J. Watson,  
F. Ansell, W. Goggin,  
E. Miller, J. H. Seth,  
L. Leek, R. O. Austen (Ske) R. C. Widdell (Ske)  
H. O. Austen (Ske) R. C. Widdell (Ske)  
A. Loureiro, H. A. Lamert,  
H. Ray, J. Cruikshank,  
A. J. V. Ribeiro, H. W. Sayer.

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F. P. Mello,  
F. F. da Silva,  
A. E. Ager.

RACE NO. 2.

ROSE. LEAK.  
J. Widdell (Stroke) S. M. Gidley (Stroke)  
L. E. Lamert, H. J. W. Gidley,  
S. R. Moore, A. Marti,  
F. Humphreys, E. Humphreys.

SHAMROCK. KORNBLUM.  
F. K. T. (Stroke) H. S. Holmes (Stroke)  
L. A. Mello, F. M. Roza Pereira,  
J. Lamert, C. Humphreys,  
A. N. Ober, N. H. Alves.

AN ENJOYABLE 'AT HOME.'

Comedy at Wellington Barracks.

A most successful entertainment was given at the Royal Engineers Theatre, Wellington Barracks, on Saturday last. Invitations were sent out by Mrs. Baker Brown and Mrs. Crichton, and about 300 people came to witness the two small plays that were staged. The band of the 1st Sherwood Foresters, and refreshments in the interval, added considerably to the evening's enjoyment. The first play was a comical sketch entitled, 'A Cup of Tea'. The scene opens at 2.30 a.m., with Joseph, the butler, asleep on the sofa in the drawing room. Julia, an attractive and evidently flirtatious lady's maid, wakes him, and, after a bit of love-making, resented and encouraged alternately by the tantalizing Julia, Joseph is left to bemoan the late hours kept by the household, who at last return from a ball. Lady Clara is jealous of her husband, and an eccentric individual, named Scroggins, is made use of by her to put his love to the test. Scroggins has entered the house by mistake, and finding Lady Clara alone takes for a thief; but on learning the truth of the case, Lady Clara asks him to change his name to Howard, a well-known lady-killer. On Sir Charles' step being heard she makes love to Mr. Howard, and an eccentric individual, named Scroggins, is made use of by her to put his love to the test. Scroggins is terrified and explains everything. Sir Charles, seeing the pretty trick Lady Clara has played on him, fires the pistols in the garden to frighten her ladyship, who naturally thinks she has caused a duel by her imprudence. After several amusing situations caused by Scroggins in his efforts to put things right, tea is served, and the play ends. Scroggins was screamingly funny, and Mr. Davidson, R.A., took the part as Sir Charles with his well-known skill before the footlights. Mrs. Baker Brown was very pretty as Lady Clara and acted charmingly. The music parts were taken by Miss Berkely and Mr. Caulfield, R.A., both being excellent in their respective parts.

The second play was a farce entitled 'Crazed', in which Brown and Smith are lodged sharing a common sitting room. Brown is devoted to music and composes, while Smith is devoted to poetry and tragic composition. Naturally these things find themselves cramped when confined to a small space. With the assistance of Sally, the lodging house servant, the rehearsals of Brown's Opera and Smith's Tragedy are carried on alternately. During Brown's Opera the house is convulsed with Smith's efforts to sing, a very clever piece of work, while during Smith's tragedy Brown took the part of a ghost. The sheet was certainly very shortly that the portly figure of Mr. Brown. The prettier part of the performance was Sally's rendering of 'Mandy' sung in a very sweet voice. It ended up with a cello-walk dance by Sally and Mr. Brown, which was loudly cheered. The piece ends with the ringing of the landlady's bell for Sally amidst great excitement. Colonel Birdwood was as humorous as ever in his part of Mr. Brown, and Captain Orleton looked a typical tragic actor. Mrs. Crichton acted very well as Sally, and her pretty song was the hit of the evening.

Mr. B. Gompertz took his seat at the Magistrate to-day as Acting Magistrate, in the absence of Mr. A. Hazell.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 11th at 11.20a. The barometer has risen over Japan, fallen again over N. China.

The high pressure area is central now between the E. coast of China and W. Japan.

Gradients decreasing with the monsoon moderating in the Formosa Channel, but remaining rather steep with strong monsoon over the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate N.E. winds; fine.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
(Before His Honor Mr. A. G. Wise, P. M. J. Judge.)  
Monday, January 11, 1904.

A CLAIM BY MERCHANTS.

Messrs. Wadett and Co., merchants, claimed from the Chong Yik firm the sum of \$1065.54, reduced to \$1000, being damages suffered by the plaintiffs by reason of the non-performance by the defendant of twenty cases of Oxford shirts contracted to be purchased by them from the plaintiffs, under a contract dated February 12.

Mr. H. W. Looker (of Messrs. Deason, Looker and Deason) appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. W. S. Stand, instructed by Mr. F. K. d'Almeida o Castro, represented the defendants.

Mr. Looker said that the claim had been reduced to \$1000 to bring it into the P. M. J. jurisdiction. On Feb. 18 the plaintiffs entered into a contract with the defendants for the sale of twenty cases of Oxford shirts. The contract was made through a broker, and a cable was sent for six hundred pieces to be ready in two months. A reply was received stating that the goods would be ready in four months. A contract was closed for shipment as soon as possible. The defendants closed with the contract, ten cases to be delivered one month later.

The goods were not delivered until September 15, when these cases were delivered. On October 10 seven more cases were delivered and the remainder were delivered on November 14. His Honour would have to decide what was meant by 'as soon as possible'. Evidence was then led.

BOXING.

At the City Hall on Saturday night six boxing matches were decided. The hall was well-filled with naval men, but few civilians being present. The first bout between Burgess of the *Tenax*, and Byang of the *Vengeance*, was declared a draw after the stipulated six rounds had been fought. Morgan of the *Vengeance* secured the verdict over Jones of the *Albion*, in a round-robin being presented by the *Albion* and Lacey of the *Vengeance*, then contested for the Bantam Championship of the China Station. These two men had already fought a twenty-round draw at Yokohama, and the bout was a very interesting one. Burgess, the champion, was in the second round he dropped Lacey with a right on the jaw. Taking no time Lacey sprang to his feet, only to be again rushed almost down through the ropes, and he was again on the neck. In the third round Lacey warned to his opponent, and he had a good guard for the face, although leaving his body open. Lacey played for the ribs most of the time, and at the end of twenty rounds the fight was a draw. In the fourth round Burgess defeated Lacey in a final ten-round contest. Ted Smith of the *Vengeance*, defeated Sto. Thompson of the *Vengeance*, and Tim Halligan of the *Vengeance*, after ten rounds of clinching and lying down the part of the opponent. Burgess, the champion, was in the second round he dropped Lacey with a right on the jaw. Taking no time Lacey sprang to his feet, only to be again rushed almost down through the ropes, and he was again on the neck. In the third round Lacey warned to his opponent, and he had a good guard for the face, although leaving his body open. Lacey played for the ribs most of the time, and at the end of twenty rounds the fight was a draw. In the fourth round Burgess defeated Lacey in a final ten-round contest. Ted Smith of the *Vengeance*, defeated Sto. Thompson of the *Vengeance*, and Tim Halligan of the *Vengeance*, after ten rounds of clinching and lying down the part of the opponent.

THE DANGERS OF OVER-STUDY.

REMARKABLE LETTER.

That overwork, anxiety, grief, engender a morbid condition in which the body becomes weakened and exhausted is only too true; and if this condition is allowed to continue the worst results must ensue. In this connection the following letter will be read with interest, as it refers to an important scientific discovery:—

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RE. E. K. C. C. RESERVES.

At Happy Valley on Saturday the Royal Engineers defeated the Hongkong Cricket Club Reserves by 17 runs. The scores were as follows:—

Whites, b. Rutherford, ... 4  
Tilman, c. Lamert to Gray, ... 14  
Bower, c. ad b. Rutherford, ... 17  
Midrum, b. Drimble, ... 13  
Glasbrook, b. Rutherford, ... 11  
Toomey, c. Seth, b. Goldring, ... 7  
Cesar, c. Pijor, b. Goldring, ... 1  
Jewbury, c. Grinable, b. Goldring, ... 0  
Taylor, b. Goldring, ... 39  
L. Chesney, not out, ... 9  
Widdow, b. Gray, ... 6  
Sundries, ... 6

Total ... 112

RE. E. K. C. C. RESERVES.

Rev. H. R. Wells, c. Bower, b. 16  
Chesney, b. Jewbury, b. 16  
H. A. Lamert, c. Jewbury, b. 16  
Bower, c. ad b. Rutherford, ... 17  
P. W. Goldring, b. Chesney, ... 0  
T. C. Gray, c. Whites, b. Chesney, ... 0  
J. Hooper, c. Bower, b. Chesney, ... 0  
P. Pijor, c. Bower, b. Chesney, ... 0  
G. Grinable, b. Glasbrook, ... 24  
N. H. Rutherford, c. Bower, b. 0  
Glasbrook, ... 0  
C. P. Chater, b. Bower, ... 0  
C. C. Wolf, c. Bower, b. 2  
Glasbrook, ... 0  
S. A. Seth, not out, ... 6  
Sundries, ... 6

Total ... 96

CHARGES OVER 'TAMAR'.

The matter between the *Chargegover* and H. M. S. *Tamar* was declared off, owing to the *Tamar* men not putting in an appearance.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

The following are the latest results to hand by the German mail:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

At Nottingham, Sheffield United and Notts Forest drew—2 goals all.  
At Sunderland, Manchester City and Sunderland drew—1 goal all.  
At Bury, Aston Villa and Bury drew—2 all.  
At Wolverhampton, Wanderers and Everton drew—2 all.  
At Blackburn, Rovers (4) beat Newcastle United (0).  
At Small Heath, Small Heath (1) beat Stoke (0).  
Aston Villa won the Birmingham Senior Cup beating the Wolverhampton Wanderers by 3 goals to 1.  
Other matches were abandoned owing to fog.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

At Ayr, Airdrieonians (1) beat Port Glasgow Athletic (0).  
At Edinburgh, Heart of Midlothian (2) beat Rithornians.  
At Partick, Partick Thistle (2) beat Queen's Park (0).  
At Glasgow, Third Lanark (4) beat St. Mirren (2).  
At Kilmarnock, Kilmarnock (2) drew with Glasgow Rangers (2).  
At Dundee, Dundee (7) beat Motherwell (1).  
At Greenock, Celtic (1) beat Greenock Morton (0).

WALES.

At Exeter, Devon beat Somerset in the County Championship by 3 goals—one penalty—(13 points) to a try (3 points).  
At Manchester, Lancashire (11) beat Cumberland (0).

OTHER MATCHES.

Edinburgh defeated Glasgow at Hamilton Crescent, Glasgow, by 2 goals 5 tries (26 points) to nil.  
Bristol beat Oxford University by two tries to nil.  
At Oxford, Oxford University beat Edinburgh University by 2 goals (1 dropped) 4 tries (21 points) to 1 goal 1 try (8 points).

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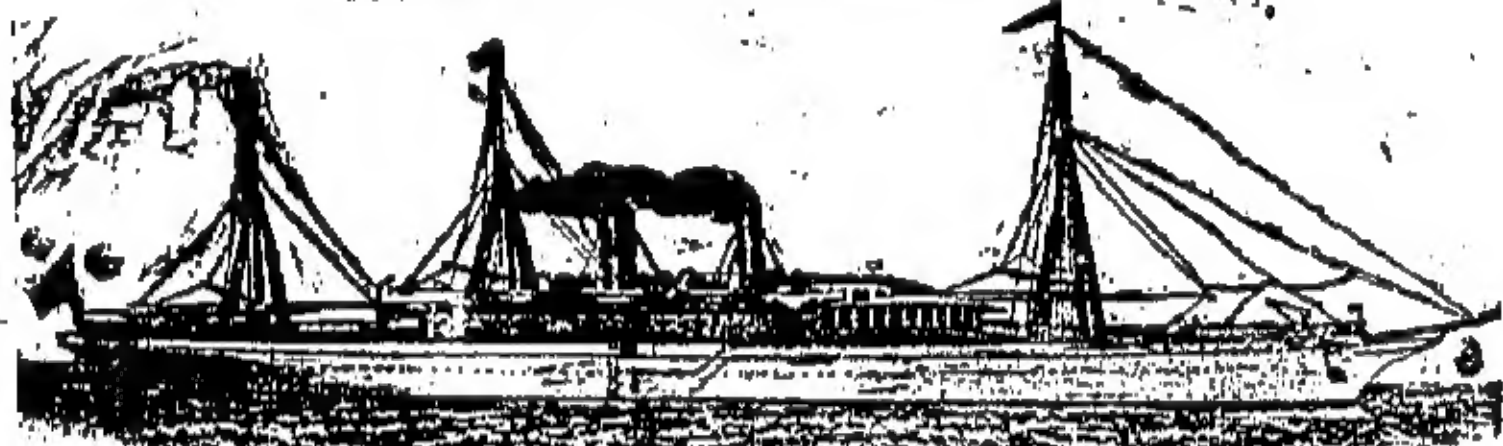
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KAMAKURA MARU,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 15th
H. PETERSON,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	Jan., Daylight.
BOMBAY MARU,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 21st
T. MURAI,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	Jan., at Noon.
NIKKO MARU,	SYDNEY, MELBOURNE and ADE-	FRIDAY, 22nd
E. W. HAWELL,	LAIDE, via MANILA, THURSDAY	Jan., at 4 p.m.
SANUKI MARU,	ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE,	
W. TOWNSEND,	MARSEILLES, LONDON and	SATURDAY, 23rd
KAGOSHIMA MARU,	ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PEN-	Jan., at Daylight.
K. KOBAYASHI,	ANG, COLOMBO and Port Said.	
IYO MARU,	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE	TUESDAY, 26th
M. J. CUNNINGHAM,	and COLOMBO.	Jan., at Noon.
MINSHU MARU,	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE,	TUESDAY, 26th
T. L. HARRISON,	U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOI,	Jan., at 4 p.m.
	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	
	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE	
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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, January 11, 1904.

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## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	KINTUCK.....	14th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	PINGSUEY.....	22nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	MOVENE.....	28th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	GLACCA.....	3rd February.

The S.S. KINTUCK left Singapore on 8th inst., and is due here on 14th inst.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.....	Yangtze.....	10th January.
LIVERPOOL, with TRANSHIPMENT AT SINGAPORE.....	Yangtze.....	18th January.
LONDON & ANTWERP.....	Newton.....	15th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.....	Kintuck.....	15th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP.....	Newton.....	18th February.
LONDON AND ANTWERP.....	MOVENE.....	1st March.

\* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via N.K. KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....	PINGSUEY.....	24th January.

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Hongkong, January 9, 1904.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI.....	YANGTZE.....	13th January.
CEBU and HONGKONG.....	KAIFONG.....	14th January.
MANILA.....	ANSHU.....	14th January.
SHANGHAI.....	CHENAN.....	15th January.
MANILA.....	TAIWAN.....	15th January.
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COCKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.....	TAIWAN.....	23rd January.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates, 1904.
SACHSEN.....	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan.
BAYERN.....	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb.
CERA.....	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb.
SEIDLITZ.....	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Mar.
ROON.....	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
PREUSSEN.....	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG.....	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH.....	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.

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LYRA.....	4417	J. V. William.....	January 15.
OLYMPIA.....	2337	A. Dixon.....	February 11.
SHAWMUT.....	9606	W. M. Smith.....	February 19.
TACOMA.....	2812	N. Ridley.....	February 26.
VICTORIA.....	3592	J. Truebridge.....	March 16.
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Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSU, via SWATOW, AND AMOY.....	DAIJIN MARU,	TUESDAY, 12th
AND AMOY.....	T. Ogasata.....	January.
AND AMOY.....	MAIDZURU MARU,	FRIDAY, 15th
AND AMOY.....	T. Saito.....	January.
AND AMOY.....	DAIGO MARU,	SUNDAY, 17th
AND AMOY.....	T. W. Goveas.....	January.
AND AMOY.....	ANPING MARU,	FRIDAY, 22nd
AND AMOY.....	K. Suzuki.....	January, at 10 a.m.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, January 11, 1904.



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Butcher Meat.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lang Pa ... lb 17

Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk ... lb 17

Roast—Shiu ... lb 17

Breast—Nagu Lam ... lb 13

Soup—Tong Yuk ... lb 13

Steak—Nagu Yuk Pa ... lb 17

Sausages—Nagu Chaug ... lb 16

Bullock's Brain—Siu ... per set 8

Tongue fresh—Nagu Li ... each 45

Corned—Ham Ngau Li ... lb 55

Head—Nagu Sum ... lb 55

Heart—Nagu Sum ... lb 14

Hump, Salt—Nagu Kin ... each 8

Feet—Nagu Kerk ... each 8

Kidneys—Nagu Yiu ... lb 18

Tail—Nagu Mei ... lb 9

Liver—Nagu Con ... lb 9

Tripe (undressed)—Nagu To ... lb 6

Calves' Head and Feet—Nagu-chai-tau-lau, set 75

Mutton Chop—Yeung Fai Kw ... lb 24

Leg—Yeung Fai Kw ... lb 24

Shoulder—Yeung Shou ... lb 24

Pigs' Chittings—Chi chong ... per set 2

Brains—Chi Know ... per set 2

Fry—Chi Kerk ... lb 12

Fry—Chi Chik ... lb 12

Head—Chi Tau ... lb 9

Heart—Chi Sum ... lb 9

Kidneys—Chi Yiu ... lb 24

Liver—Chi Con ... lb 18

Pork Chop—Chi Pui Kw ... lb 18

Corned—Ham Chu Yuk ... lb 18

Leg—Chu Pui ... lb 18

Fat or Lard—Chu Yau ... lb 18

Succops' Head and Feet—Yeung Tau K r k set 60

Heart—Yeung Sum ... each 6

Kidneys—Yeung Yiu ... lb 2

Liver—Yeung Con ... lb 18

Sucking Pigs To Order—Chu Chai ... lb 17

Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau ... lb 22

Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau ... lb 22

Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk ... lb 18

Sausages—Nagu Chai Yuk Tong ... lb 15

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai ... lb 24

Capon, Large, Small—Sin Ka ... lb 30

Ducks—A ... lb 21

Doves—Pan Kau ... each 17

Eggs, Hen—Kai Pan ... per dozen 22

Fowls, Canton—Kai ... lb 30

Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai ... lb 20

Geese—Ngui ... lb 20

Geese, Wild Shai—Shai Yee Ngai, pair \$1.50

Mus Deer—Wong Kong ... each \$3.60

Hare, Shanghai—Tu Chai ... lb 55

Partridge—Che Khoo ... lb 65

Pheasant—Shan Kai ... pair \$1.50

Pigeons, Canton—Kak Kuy ... each 27

Huhow—Hoi How Pak Kuy ... each 17

Quail—Um Chun ... dozen 22

Rice Birds—Wo Pa Cheuk ... lb 22

Snipe—Sa Chui ... lb 28

Turkeys, Cook—Phor Kai Kung ... lb 44

Goose—Hoi ... lb 44

Wild Ducks, Shai—Shanghai Sal pair \$1.50

Teal—Sui Ai Chai ... lb 45

Wild Ducks, Canton—Sang Shing Sal pair \$1.50

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu ... lb 13

Bream—Biu Yu ... lb 14

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Ho Sin Yu ... lb 13

Carp—Li Yu ... lb 11

Catfish—Chik Yu ... lb 11

Codfish—Mon Yu ... lb 14

Crabs—Hoi ... lb 13

Cuttle Fish—Mak Yu ... lb 13

Dab—Sa Mang Yu ... lb 10

Dace—Wong Mei Lan ... lb 9

Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa ... lb 15

Eels, Congor. Hai Man ... lb 15

Fresh water—Tan Sin Yu ... lb 24

Fish, Yellow—Wong Sin ... lb 26

Frogs—Tian Kai ... lb 60

Garoupa—Sek Pan ... lb 19

Gudgoun—Pak Kuy Yu ... lb 18

Herrings—Tso Pak ... lb 10

Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu ... lb 18

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu ... lb 24

Loach—Wu Yu ... lb 33

Lobsters—Lang Ha ... lb 50

Mackerel—Chai Yu ... lb 24

Monk Fish—Mong Yu ... lb 24

Mullet—Chai Yu ... lb 16

Oysters—Sang Hoo ... lb 16

Par otfish—Kai Kung Yu ... lb 13

Perch—Tan Loc ... lb 11

Pike—Fa Paw Pong ... lb 11

Placat—Pan Yu ... lb 29

Flatfish, Black—Hak Chong ... lb 24

Pomfret, White, Pak Chong ... lb 24

Prawns—Ming Ha ... lb 8

Riv—Pel Pa S ... lb 18

Rock Fish—Sek Kai



## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

January 9.  
Alger, British steamer, 4,896, Albert  
Lockett, Maitland Jan. 7, General. — P. M.  
S. S. Co.  
Johanna, German steamer, 562, Island,  
Hohow Jan. 8, Rice, Bullocks and Eggs.  
Jensen & Co.  
Kong-wei, German steamer, 1,115, W.  
Muller, Hohow Jan. 8, Rice, Bullocks and Eggs.  
Jensen & Co.  
Curt Dierckx, German steamer, 774,  
H. Schalk, Hohow Jan. 7, Rice.  
Jensen & Co.  
Kushing, British steamer, 1,143, D. B.  
Brown, Chinkiang Jan. 6, General.  
Butterfield & Swire.

January 10.  
Denbighshire, British steamer, 2,488, Evans,  
Shanghai Jan. 10, Coal and General.  
S.W. & Co.  
Taiping, Chinese steamer, 1,374, Brissander,  
Chinkiang Jan. 6, General. — Kwong  
Ming Woe.

Rugby, British steamer, 2,110, Brown,  
Christmas Island Dec. 25, Phosphate Rock.  
— Annand, Kaituma & Co.  
Lyon, American steamer, 3,516, Geo. V.  
Williams, Maitland Jan. 7, Hemp.  
Donwell & Co., Ltd.

Kwong, British steamer, 1,097, Geo.  
Hooker, Holo Jan. 8, Hemp and Sugar.  
Butterfield & Swire.

Denbighshire, British steamer, 1,792, W.  
Hutton, Maitland Jan. 4, Coal. — Gibb,  
Livingston & Co.

Alma, British steamer, 636, A. E.  
Hodgins, Tamsui Jan. 8, and Amy, 9  
General. — Douglas Steamship Co.

Wang, British steamer, 1,517, Lambie,  
Wuhu and Chinkiang Jan. 7, Oil.  
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Annam, French steamer, 2,538, Girard,  
Japan and Shanghai Jan. 8, Mails and General.  
Messageries Maritimes.

Lygon, German steamer, from Canton.  
Anglo, Chinese steamer, from Canton.  
Pastor, British steamer, from Canton.

January 11.  
M. S. S. Co., British steamer, 4,216,  
Alexander, Maitland Jan. 6, Coal.  
S.W. & Co.

Glenary, British steamer, 2,350, H. W.  
L. Holman, Shanghai Jan. 8, General.  
— McGray Bros. & Co.

Holland, British steamer, 1,880, Adhead,  
Kutchin Jan. 6, Coal. — Donwell  
& Co., Ltd.

Kennan, British steamer, 3,727, D. Davies,  
Glasgow, via Liverpool and Singapore Jan.  
4, General. — Butterfield & Swire.

Anden, French steamer, 377, L. Anderson,  
Peking and Hohow Jan. 10, General.  
— A. E. Mait.

Yuenkong, British steamer, 1,128, P.  
R. Hoff, Maitland Jan. 8, General.  
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

January 10.  
Batavia, for Vladivostok.  
Wahing, for Swatow.  
Marie Jeanne, for Singapore.  
Tehup, for Shanghai.  
Kushing, for Swatow.  
Anping, for Swatow.  
Puma, for Amoy.  
Michael, for Holo.  
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## POST OFFICE NOTICES

## Mails will close —

For SWATOW. —  
For Hainan, at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the  
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For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI. —  
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For HOTHOW, SINGAPORE, PORT  
SWETENHAM & PENANG. —  
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For SINGAPORE, PENANG & DOM-  
BAY. —  
For Hainan, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the  
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For BANGKOK. —  
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For SINGAPORE. —  
For Hainan, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the  
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For SHANGHAI. —  
For Hainan, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the  
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For LYON. —  
For Hainan, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the  
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For KENAN. —  
For Hainan, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the  
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For HOTHOW & HAIPHONG. —  
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For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY  
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS,  
TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYD-  
NEY & MELBOURNE. —  
For Hainan, at 10 a.m., on Wednes-  
day, the 13th January.

For SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE,  
YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA &  
SEATTLE. —  
For Hainan, at 3 p.m., on Thurs-  
day, the 14th January.

For MANILA. —  
For Hainan, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the  
14th January.

For KEELUNG, MOJI, KOBE, YOKO-  
HAMA, VICTORIA & TADOMA. —  
For Hainan, at 11 a.m., on Friday, the  
15th January.

MAILED BY THE FRANCH PACKER. —  
The French Contract Packet Annon-  
will be despatched on TUESDAY,  
the 12th Jan., with Mails to the United  
Kingdom, the Continent of Europe,  
and places beyond, via Marseilles, to  
Suez, Suez, Suez, Suez, Suez, Suez,  
Buenos Aires, Colon, Madras, the Aus-  
tralia Colonies, Aden, Natal and the  
Cape, Zeylan, India, and Gibraltar.  
Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.  
Registration at 10 a.m.  
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MAILED BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-  
WAY CO. PACKER. —  
The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet Despatch  
of China will be despatched on WED-  
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## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from  
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore, K, and those in the body of the Shipping  
midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

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1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From the Gas Works to the Harbour Office.  
3. From the Harbour Office to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From the Harbour Master's Office to the Market.  
5. From the Market to the Pedlar's Wharf.  
6. From the Pedlar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.  
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.  
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.  
9. From East Point to North Point.  
10. From North Point to Kowloon Wharves.  
11. From Kowloon Wharves to the Naval Yard.

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